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Nicole Kidman feels 'proud' of Expats

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Nicole Kidman feels "so proud" of 'Expats'.

The new Prime Video series - which is based on 'The Expatriates', a 2016 novel by Janice Y. K. Lee - focuses on a group of expats living in Hong Kong, and Nicole feels proud of the show's international feel.

She told 'Entertainment Tonight': "I read the book, my sister gave it to me to read, and I knew it would make an amazing film. But it was so dense I thought a mini series [would work better]. And it was the right cast."

The Oscar-winning actress stars alongside the likes of Ji-young Yoo, Jack Huston and Sarayu Rao on the show.

And despite her past success, Nicole feels particularly proud of her involvement with the new mini-series.

She shared: "I've obviously done so many rolls in my life, but this is so different. It takes place over six hours. So many layers. And then episode five, you [see] through the lens of the domestic workers.

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"We get to introduce these actors to this large audience. There are six languages in this show! I'm so proud of [it]."

By contrast, Nicole recently revealed that she struggled to shoot 'Expats' amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The actress explained that she found it tough to deal with Hong Kong's strict COVID rules.

Nicole, 56 - who is married to musician Keith Urban - told the Radio Times: "When I was single and I would travel, a lot of it was lonely. Being slightly introverted, I would think, 'Should I call that person and see if they want to have dinner, or will I just

stay in my little room and not venture out?"

"Obviously, when you become part of a family and there's people to miss if they're not with you, that's not good. I've had many, many a night when I've been like, 'What am I doing? I want to have more empathy now everyday.'"

Nicole Kidman



Eva Mendes 'so proud' of Ryan Gosling's Barbie role after he received 'hate' and 'ridicule'



Ryan Gosling and Eva Mendes

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Eva Mendes is "so proud" of Ryan Gosling's Ken role in 'Barbie' after he earned an Oscars nomination for the part.

The 43-year-old actor received some online abuse after playing the male doll in the motion picture, which featured Margot Robbie in the titular role as the iconic Mattel doll, but earlier this week he earned a Best Supporting Actor Academy Award nod for the role.

Eva has praised her partner for creating a "completely original, hilarious, heartbreaking, and now iconic character". Sharing a picture of a Roll-

ing Stone magazine article called "Sorry to Be the One to Say It, but Ryan Gosling Is Giving Major Cringe as Ken in 'Barbie'", Eva responded on Instagram: "So proud of my man. So much hate when he took on this role. So many people trying to shame him for doing it. Despite all the #Notmyken ridicule and articles written about him, he created this completely original, hilarious, heartbreaking, now iconic character and took it all the way to Oscars. (sic)"

Eva - who has daughters Esmeralda, nine, and Amada, seven, with the actor - is "beyond proud" to be Barbie to Ryan's Ken.

Isla Fisher admits she loves 'not working'

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Isla Fisher loves "not working" as she's fixated on being a mum.

The 'Wedding Crashers' actress, 48, who has three children aged 16, 13 and eight with her husband Sacha Baron Cohen, 52, has been making the second series of the Peacock comedy drama 'Wolf Like Me', but said she loves staying at home.

She told People about her feelings about being able to get back to work after the SAG-AFTRA strikes that recently crippled Hollywood: "I'll be perfectly honest. It's been great to be able to talk

about the show again.

"But as much as I love working, I also love not working."

Isla plays a secretive, newly-pregnant werewolf in 'Wolf Like Me' alongside actor Josh Gad, 42, and she shot the show in her native Australia while her family lived nearby.

She added to People: "Motherhood is my favourite topic personally. But (my children) haven't chosen this (celebrity) life, so I don't talk about them."

"I think having kids is very transformative in every sense - physically, emotionally and psychologically - and it fills a very large space in my life."

"I love being a mom. So I feel very blessed to do both."

Isla Fisher



John Cena wants to be 'more understanding' with people wanting his time in public

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John Cena is trying to be "more understanding" of people who want his time in public.

The 'Argylle' actor and WWE legend made headlines last year when he a fan interrupted his meal with a friend and started performing his signature 'You can't see me' hand wave taunt, and the 46-year-old actor managed to stay calm as he asked the stranger to let him "enjoy some time with his friends".

The fan apologised as Cena thanked him for respecting his wishes, and now the star has told the 'IMPAULSIVE' podcast: "I think everyone has their line, but I also am... each day I'm more and more understanding of this crazy life, and I try to be more and more understanding of anyone who asks for my time."

Cena - who admitted he has "a few" coffee shops he en-

joys frequenting where he gets some privacy - insisted he is "big on hard work, loyalty and respect".

He added to fellow WWE star Logan Paul: "It's tough when you get... when you get emotional about something, it's tough to make sense of it all."

"I'm not at all perfect but [I] try to be who you say you are. I also try to have more empathy now everyday."

"I understand, 'Hey, if this video makes it I'm on easy street.' Yeah but... what about me? I'm just trying to buy my coffee. But I dunno, I guess I just try to handle those things more in the time."

John Cena



Cena was praised for his response to the fan last summer, but he insisted he isn't interested in trying to get one up on anyone.

He explained: "To me, it's not about the win in the situation. It's... am I who I say I am?"

The Hollywood star admitted he tries to "keep a pretty small footprint" when it comes to going out and about.

He said: "I have a few places that I feel pretty safe at. I don't try to make a scene, we just enjoy company and food, and that's that!"

Owen Wilson becomes 'Chief Shampoo Officer' for California Naturals

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Owen Wilson has become the Chief Shampoo Officer for California Naturals.

The 'Loki' actor, 55, landed the role at the company that promotes hair health, and released a 'Get Ready With Me' trailer to announce becoming an ambassador.

Speaking to People, he said: "I'm excited to weigh in on everything from the product pipeline (happily lending myself as a guinea pig for new formulas) to campaigns and bigger decisions about the company's growth."

Owen Wilson



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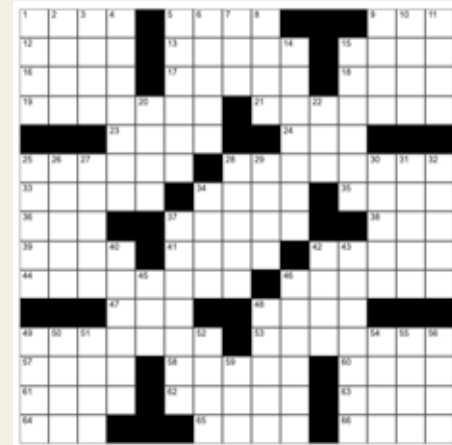
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How to play

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

CROSSWORD



Across

1- Word of comparison; 5- Poultry enclosure; 9- Canto; 12- The last Mrs. Chaplin; 13- Love, in Paris; 15- Painter of limp watches; 16- Wall St. debuts; 17- Pass into disuse; 18- Canadian gas brand; 19- 16th president of the U.S.; 21- Increase in unpleasantness; 23- Sewing case; 24- Agnus; 25- Root vegetable; 28- Companion of Daniel; 33- Single things; 34- Beat to a froth; 35- Book before Nehemiah; 36- Avg.; 37- Compassion; 38- Rocky peak; 39- Capital of the Ukraine; 41- Sommer of film; 42- Make one's case; 44- Sing for; 46- Crafty; 47- Occupational suffix; 48- Boxer Spinks; 49- Shut in; 53- Six legged creatures; 57- Uncovered; 58- Aggregate of qualities that make good character; 60- Handle roughly; 61- Among; 62- Cruising vessel; 63- Diarist Frank; 64- Kan. neighbor; 65- Some digits; 66- Require;

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1- Labor; 2- Snake dancers; 3- Bartlett's abbr.; 4- Beginning to exist; 5- Phone; 6- Muscat native; 7- Alley; 8- Thrust; 9- Wild party; 10- Different; 11- Hero; 14- Adjust again; 15- Long for; 20- Elevator man; 22- Roulette bet; 25- Elephant parts; 26- Free; 27- One in a cab, say; 28- Tremble; 29- Employ; 30- Early Mexican; 31- Frog sound; 32- Firm; 34- Unite; 37- Rumor; 40- Like some brides and threats; 42- Career golfers; 43- Person who repairs telephone wires; 45- Classical starter; 46- Principles; 48- Supple; 49- Abba of Israel; 50- Driver's license datum; 51- Child's bed; 52- Quod... demonstrandum; 54- Walking stick; 55- Melody; 56- Husky burden; 59- Prefix with tourism;

Yesterday's solution

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